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A NEEDED REFORM.

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In answer to the above we would say that while some good and true men aspire to and now hold office, it is a lamentable fact that many and probably the larger number are morally and intellectually unfit for any position of public trust. There are on the other hand, a great many good men, of experience in matters of finance, which would be of inestimable value to the country, who shrink from public life as from a pestilence, and could not be induced to take part in a political campaign under any consideration. If you ask them to become candidates for office the reply is, "I want nothing to do with politics."-This is a dangerous state of affairs, and there is some grave reason at the bottom of it which it would be well for our people to look into. We say dangerous, because if good men will not consent to hold office but prefer being ruled by designing and unscrupulous politicians rather than have their names connected with any political movement, the result must inevitably be that the latter class of adventurers will rule, and ruin will speedily follow. No doubt, many of the better class are needlessly sensitive about these matters, and such should remember that they must either govern the mobor consent to be governed by it. If politics have become a filthy pool in which none but the degraded postage stamp, no time lost, no whiskey any other man. How successfully he met find theories as to what might have been juvenate the system. Price 85 for a package any other man. How successfully he met because the respectable portion stand aloof and allow them to have it all their own way. That many of the public journals are responsible for this condition of affairs, there can be no doubt. Many of them can not speak of a political opponent without loading him with obloquy and abuse, magnifying every little fault into a grave erime, and even attempting to hold him responsible for every act of his deceased ancestors for a number of generations past, It is well known that both newspapers and politicians while conducting a canvass deal in falsehoods and retail slander with impunity which, under any other circumstances would rouse against them the honest indignation of respectable men of all parties, here it has become quite legitimate and is getting to be looked upon as a part of the ceremony of initiation into public life. It has gone so far that if a candidate is accused or even found guilty of crime so far as it can be done outside of a court of justice, that it is looked upon as a part of the programme and arouses the sympathies of the voter in his favor rather than against him. This is fast becoming e great evil. The only men who dare venture to run the gauntlet of vituperation and abuse, which is sure to beset them are such as have become hardened in crime and callous te reproach. We ask in all candor is it safe to trust such men with the management of public affairs, and is it not high time that a public rebuke was administered to both journalists and politicians who indulge in this sort of brigandage to the detriment of public morals and the injury of better men than themselves? Whenever public opinion frowns upon, or the people cease to encourage this species of warfare, we may look to see better, purer, and more competent men

dy is in the hands of the people. When

FRANCE, The people of France have declared for 8 Republic. The United States have promptly recognized it. Our Government could do no less under the circumstances; still we have little faith in the permanancy of a Republic in France. The French people are not educated in accordance with Republican ideas, and the tendency of Louis Napolean's reign has been to unfit them for self government. Besides it not the policy of the other European powers to tolerate any other form of Government except a monarchy. Thus the sympathy which France would receive from the other crowned heads under a monarchical form of Government will be entirely lost to her as a Republic doubt even, whether King William will look with favor upon any such termina tion of the present difficulty. A Republic such as France might become, will exert anything but a healthy influence toward the perpetuation of power in th hands of the present reigning families of Europe, and it is not likely that with all their professed love for the people of France and the declaration so oft repeated, that the war was not made against them but against Napoleon, that they will sacrifice the interest of their own descendents, to the somewhat doubtful purpose of aiding the French people in setting up a form of Governmen so dangerous to their own institutions and contrary to their own notions of what should constitute the governing power.

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DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION. Failure to Make a Nomination.

ing for six dreadful hours, failed to agree Garland and Thomas Heatherly. upon a candidate, and adjourned for two Dr. M. S. MAHONEY. weeks. The two most prominent candid-

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1870. ates were James White of Hawkins, and ex. President Andrew Johnson. On the ry of the meeting were added to the list last ballot White was three votes ahead of of delegates. his illustrious opponent, and his friends stood as rocks, determined not to yield an K. Miller, Hon, F. S. Singletary, and W. inch to the Johnson wing, who, we under- J. Folsom, Esq., were appointed delegates the result of two weeks calm deliberation | On motion, the Secretary was requested who claims the right to the track on the questing them to publish the same. ground that he made a canvass against Mr. Butler when he saw defeat staring him in the face. Whether he deserves much credit for making that Quixotic experiment, is a question the democracy are discussing, and we leave the discussion ed, only a little curious to know which holders of the E. T., Va. & Ga R. Road a sale of over 60,000 coppies. tion day.

NO USE FOR A CONVENTION.

Our friends in Carter county, as will be delegates as to who they shall vote for in the Greeneville Convention, but instruct suggest, as rail road travel is high, money ciency to its operations, compliments of the Chairman and Secredispense with the delegates altogether .- the united companies. We can't see the use of delegates, nor why one would not do as well as a dozen. They have but one duty to perform and wise, we could dispense with the District Convention altogether. Let each send its as the delegates have no discretion in the very thing we have been needing. We trust the Congressional Executive Committee will take the matter in hand at stitution in accordance with this plan.

comes to our table with the names of Jas. rial than the pages of our record. A. Galbreath and A. B. Wilson as Editors, They have purchased the office and it will been a handsome and well conducted Jour- commemorate. nal, and under the new management we predict for it a successful career, as it has early and favorite policy and one which now the additional advantage of correct he kept steadily in view, and lived just principles, which is, in itself, an essential long enough to see completed. He believed element of success in conducting any journalistic enterprise. The editors have both had experience in conducting newspapers, tions. In testimony of our respect for his and we take great pleasure in recommend- memory ing them to the public as well worthy of their confidence. Toward the retiring Editor, Mr. E. C. Reeves, we entertain the kindest feelings of friendship. He has for we believe him to be honest, though erring. We wish him every success in whatever department of life he may choose long and effective services as the chief adto engage and we tender him the hospital- ministrative officer of the Company, the ities of our sanctum at all times, believing privilege is hereby granted to his widow as we do, that our differences of opinion in the past, sometimes too warmly expressed, have aroused no feeling of resentment in certified to the family of the deceased. his breast, as we assure him they have not aspiring to office. But this is the only

power that can counteract it. The reme- in ours. Republican Meeting.

they learn to apply it properly, we will be At a meeting of the Republican party rid of this and many other evils of a like of Carter county, held in compliance with previous notice, at the Court House in Elizabethton, on Monday, the 5th day of afternoon publishes a letter from Vice September, 1870, for the purpose of ap- President Colfax, who writes: pointing delegates to the Republican Convention to assemble at Greeneville, on Wednesday the 12st September, to nominate a candidate for Congress on the Republican ticket, in the first Congressional district of Tennessee, Col. John K. Miller was appointed Chairman, and John W.

O'Brien requested to act as Secretary. O'Brien, Jonas H. Keen, James W. Orr, Daniel S. Nave, Geo. C. Bowman, and A. R. Toncray, were appointed a committee to prepare a list of delegates, and report ness. My friends here all know of this suitable resolutions for the action of the determination, and I assure you it is no meeting; who, after retiring for a short pretence, but a reality, as you will see. time, reported the following, which, motion, was unanimously adopted ;

Resolved, That Hon, R. R. Butler is the first choice of this meeting as the Republican candidate for Congress in the 1st Congressional district of Tennessee.

Resolved. That we pledge ourselves to abide in good faith by the action of the Greeneville Convention, fairly expressed. Resolved That the following named per, sons are hereby appointed to represent this county in the Greeneville Convention, are instructed to vote for Judge Butler in Quarles was chosen Chairman. said Convention, first, last and all the time.

NAMES OF DELEGATES. . 1st District, H. H. Kinnick and J. H Smith; 2d, Jas W. Orr and J. S. White; 3d, John W. Hyder and David M. Simmerly; 4th, G. C. Bowman and William Phillips, Esq.; 5th, C. C. Taylor and D. M. Patton; 6th M. D. L. Boren and P M. Williams; 7th, B. M. G. O'Brien, J. G. Fellers and A. J. Tipton; Sth. Jonas can see a straight one.

H. Keen and S. H. Hendrix; 9th, C. P. "The War Between the States, its Causes Character, Conduct and Toncray and Daniel S. Nave; 10th, B. B. The Democratic Convention which met | Ferguson and J. F. M. Lewis; 11th D. in Greeneville last Saturday, after labor- T. O'Brien and David Erwin : 12th D. COLORED DELEGATES.

> Richard Lacy and Rufus Taylor. On motion, the Chairman and Secreta-

On motion, Hon, H. C. Smith, Col. J. ite leader through the Convention. What tion at Nashville, the 22d of this month. On motion the meeting adjourned.

J. K. MILLER, Chairman. JOHN W. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

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one of them we will have to beat on elec- Company, at their Annual Convention, held in the city of Knoxville, on the 7th of necessity was the dryest-if any part dened Steel and Iron, and the Franklinday of September, 1870.

The past year will be remembered in the history of the Company, for the loss, by death, of its President, Thomas H. seen in another column, intend to leave no Callaway, Esq. He died on the 29th of uncertain impression on the mind of their August last, after a protracted illness at White Cliff Springs, in Monroe County. whither he had resorted in hope of relief His connection with the road as a stockthem to go for Butler "first, last and all holder and Director, dates very far back, the time." We have no particular fault, and he had much to do in bringing it to a to find with the resolution, only we would successful completion and in giving effi-

scarce, and time precious at this season of Company by the military authorities of When the road was surrendered to the the year, that instead of sending a dozen the United States, at the close of hostilior more delegates to Greeneville, that they ties in 1865, he became President of the simply send a copy of the resolution to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, President of the Convention, with the and in 1868, on the decease of Mr. Branner, President of the East Tennessee and Virginia Rail Road, of the two roads, both tary of the Carter county Convention, and before and after the consolidation under

From the first until the last, his administration was beset with serious difficulties. During the war, the interest on the debt, remained unpaid, thereby increaswhy not do that the shortest and cheapest ing it one fourth; the read had fallen sadway? If all the counties would do like- ly in disrepair; the rolling stock was near- and arriving at conclusions with a clear- with loss of power and threatened impoly worn out and destroyed; the machine ness of judgment which is, to say the least, tence. The consequences of excesses ... shops and equipments had almost disappeared; the country had been impoverishvote to the Chairman of the Executive ed and the business of the road had fallen Committee, and let him declare the re- away, and the company was absolutely sult by proclamation. Then there would without credit in the currency markets of tial information upon the subject treated been cured by these pills. They tone up be no money spent except a three cent the country. Such embarrassments would of, and who prefer clear and straight- the system, arrest the discharges, dispel have appalled, if not overcome almost, forward statements of what was done, to the gloom and mental depression, and redrank, no wrangling or quarreling, but them is best shown in the annual report accomplished. Having been compelled which is important in all old long-standevery thing would go off harmoniously, which he lived only not long enough to by ill health, since the war, to remain aling cases, or \$1 per single box. Sold by and the result would be precisely the same read, giving, as it does, the condition of most entirely in the privacy of his home, all first-class druggists, and sent to any the debts, the state of the road and its and to take no part in the questions of the HUMPHREYS' SPECIFIC HOMEOPAequipments and appointments, the amount day, Mr. Stephens has been enabled to matter as it now stands; the primary of its business and the fiattering tone of look back over his long and honorable Conventions deciding the question before- its credit. These facts, better than words, hand. We are decidedly in favor of in- bear witness to his unshrinking courage, troducing a reform of this kind. It is the his tireless energy and his unfailing judgment, which secured for him the confience of the company and of that part of the community interested in its affairs.

We purposely refrain from speaktheir next meeting, and amend their Con- ing of him except in his relation to this lations, to be worthily represented by a subscription. The Greeneville National Union. large and more general assemblage of the This Journal has changed hands, and people and in a more conspicuous memo-

Of all who have at any time been Presidents of either of the two roads, three only survive. The others have passed henceforth be issued as a Republican Jour- away. Keys, Cunnningham, Branner, nal. The "National Union," has always and last, Callaway, whose death we now

management of a single company, was his it would give greater efficacy and would be attended with marked economy. So far results seem to have justified his expecta-

Resolved. That by the recent death of Thomas II, Callaway, a serious loss has been sustained to the company of which he had been so long the President, depriving it of his vigorous counsels and of his maintained his principles, such as they are, high personal and financial credit, and we, with rare ability, and we shall miss him the stockholders of the company, are deprived of an inestimable, useful and val-

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Vice President Colfax's Letter. The Brooklyn Union, of Wednesday

I thank you for your good wishes in my chalf but I intend with this term to close ny public life absolutely. I will then have had eighteen years of continuous service at Washington, mostly on a stormy sea-long enough for any one, and my

ambition is all gratified and satisfied. General Grant will doubtless be renominated, and I think should be. My articles and speeches show my faith in him On motion Hon, H. C. Smith, B. M. G. and my regard for him. But the people will want some Eastern or Southern Vice President, and should have one. I shall eave public life voluntarily and without a regret, and expect to go into active busi- 3000 Engravings. 1840 Pages Quarto. ticipate, and I feel as happy at the prospective release from the exactions, cares misrepresentations and excitements of

political life as the student who is about to graduate and go forth from the walls in which he has been for years free from professors and critics. When you think it all over you will concede that it is a wise determination.

THE NASHVILLECONVENTION. Gen. John C. Brown Nominated. NASHVILLE, Sep. 13 .- The Demoeratic Convention met to-day. General

Gen. John C. Brown was nominated by The whole thing was managed by exrebel soldiers. No civilians got to the

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